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Attention:

Mr. Reuben Baris

Team Leader 25

Subject:

MON 78746 Herbicide, EPA Reg. No. 524-523; Request to Voluntarily Cancel Registration

Dear Mr. Baris:

MON 78746 Herbicide, EPA Reg. No. 524-523, is a packaged mix of the isopropylamine salt of glyphosate and quizalofop P-ethyl that was granted conditional registration by the Agency on August 28, 2000. Monsanto has never commercialized this product and has instead focused on providing newer tools to help farmers sustainably produce enough food for a growing world. Therefore, in accordance with the provisions set forth at FIFRA 6(f)(1) regarding Voluntary Cancellation, Monsanto requests that the registration of MON 78746 Herbicide, EPA Reg. No. 524-523 be canceled.

Importantly, Monsanto stands by the safety all our products, including MON 78746 Herbicide, EPA Reg. No. 524-523. This cancellation request is a business decision based on our current commercial plans and assessment of the marketplace.

Because this product was never commercialized, registered for use in any State in anticipation of a release for shipment, or registered for any minor agricultural use, there is no reason to believe that cancellation would adversely affect minor crop growers or pose an unreasonable adverse effect on the environment. Therefore, according to FIFRA 6(f)(C)(ii), Monsanto requests that the Agency waive the 180-day comment period and rely on a 30-day period following publication of a notice of receipt of this request in the Federal Register for the public to comment. Also, because this product was never released into the channels of trade, per provision to address existing stock is necessary.

If you should have any questions regarding this request, please contact Dr. James Nyangulu at (202) 383-2866, or me directly at (314) 694-9035, or by electronic mail at stephen.a.adams@monsanto.com.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Adams

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cc: Khue Nguyen / EPA Pesticide Re-evaluation Division

Dr. James Nyangulu / Monsanto D.C. Office